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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Official Action, mailed March 4, 2004, in the above-captioned patent application. An Amendment for the above-referenced patent application is enclosed.

A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 08-1265.

Respectfully submitted,

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